

MINUTES

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**May 6-7, 1998
Sacramento, California**

The California Transportation Commission meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. on May 6, 1998 at the Department of Health Services Auditorium, 714 P Street, Sacramento, California.

Members Present: Robert Wolf, Chairman
Edward Sylvester, Vice Chairman
Mary Berglund, arrived at 2:30 p.m.
P. Gregory Conlon
Octavia Diener
David Fleming
Roger Kozberg
Dana Reed

Members Absent: Senator Quentin Kopp, Ex-Officio
Assemblyman Kevin Murray, Ex-Officio

The meeting recessed at 5:00 p.m. and opened as a committee on May 7, 1998 at 8:35 a.m. until a quorum was present at 8:40 at which time the regular meeting reconvened.

Members Present: Robert Wolf, Chairman
Edward Sylvester, Vice Chairman
Mary Berglund
Octavia Diener, arrived at 8:37 a.m.
David Fleming
Roger Kozberg, arrived at 8:40 a.m.
Dana Reed, arrived at 8:52 a.m.

Members Absent: P. Gregory Conlon
Senator Quentin Kopp, Ex-Officio
Assemblyman Kevin Murray, Ex-Officio

1. GENERAL MATTERS

- 1.(1)** Approval of Minutes for March 31-April 1, 1998 Meeting and Northern STIP Hearing, April 7, 1998 Southern STIP Hearing, and February 17, 1998 Interregional System Committee Meeting

Chairman Wolf asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 31-April 1, 1998 and April 7, 1998 meetings. Commissioner Reed moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Berglund was absent).

Vice Chairman Sylvester, as Chairman of the Interregional System Committee, asked for a motion to approve the Interregional System Committee Meeting minutes. Commissioner Diener moved to approve the minutes. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 3-0.

1.(2) Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation

Chairman Wolf asked for a motion to approve the List of Meetings for Compensation. Commissioner Reed moved to approve the List. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Berglund was absent).

1.(3) Consent Calendar

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, reviewed Items 2.5b(3), 2.5b(6), 2.5g, 2.8(1), 2.8(2), and 4.6 on the Potential Consent Calendar.

Deputy Director Robert Chung reviewed the changes to the Consent Calendar which were as follows:

- Item 2.4b Resolutions of Necessity #C-17403, C-17431, and C-17440 were withdrawn by the Department prior to the meeting.
- Item 2.4d Director's Deed #17 was withdrawn by the Department prior to the meeting.
- Item 2.5b(2) Projects #13 and #23 were withdrawn by the Department; Project #11 on the Agenda vote list should read \$2,127,000 as correctly reflected on the book item; the revised SHOPP financial vote is \$51,075,000 for twenty-two projects.
- Item 2.5b(5) Project #1 was withdrawn by the Department; Project #5 project description on the Agenda vote list should read "In Irvine, 0.35 kilometer east of Sand Canyon Road at I-5. Construct new joint CT/CHP Transportation Management Center building."; the revised TSM financial vote was \$10,228,000 for four projects.
- Item 2.6d Project #1 budget item number on the Agenda vote list should read 101-0042.

Commissioner Diener moved to approve the Consent Calendar adding the potential consent calendar items and including the changes as discussed. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 8-0. The approved Consent Calendar was as follows: Item 2.1a(1), 2.1c(1 and 2), 2.2b(1 and 2), 2.3a(1 and 2), 2.3c, 2.3d, 2.4b, 2.4c, 2.4d, 2.5a, 2.5b(1,2,3,4,5,6), 2.5c(1,2,3), 2.5g, 2.6a, 2.6b(1,2,3), 2.6d, 2.6e(1 and 2), 2.7a, 2.8(1 and 2), 4.5, 4.6.

1.(4) Commission Reports

Vice Chairman Sylvester discussed the Route 99/70 compromise.

Commissioner Fleming reported on his trip to Washington D. C. and his discussions with federal transit officials.

Commissioner Kozberg discussed the Airspace Advisory Committee meeting. Later in the meeting, Chairman Wolf reported that he had received a telephone call from Senator Kopp concerning the Harrison Street property. Caltrans Director van Loben Sels discussed the issue. Having previously recused himself from actions relating to the Harrison Street property in San Francisco, Commissioner Kozberg left the meeting room during discussion of this

property. Chairman Wolf asked Director van Loben Sels to brief Senator Kopp on the status and disposition of Harrison Street excess property.

ACTION: J. Van Loben Sels

Commissioner Conlon reported on the status of Union Pacific and also discussed his meeting with rail regulators in London.

Commissioner Fleming discussed an upcoming FTA and APTA conference on bus rapid transit scheduled for May 19, 1998 in Phoenix, Arizona.

1.(5) Business, Transportation and Housing Agency Report

Del Pierce, BT&H Undersecretary, presented the Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency Report.

1.(6) Caltrans Report

Caltrans Director James van Loben Sels discussed the status of repairs in the Big Sur area and federal funding for El Nino storm damage. He also discussed ISTEAs, State Budget Hearings, and Caltrans' Internet examination.

1.(7) Regional Agencies Report

Craig Scott, Regional Agencies Moderator, discussed the Intercity Rail List, the California Transportation Plan, the TEA Program, and technical STIP/RTIP revisions.

2. PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS

2.1 Program Amendments/Project Approvals

2.1a. STIP Amendments for Action

- 2.1a.(1) STIP Amendment 96S-57 - Action**
Reprograms the construction for the Devil's Slide Bypass Project on Route 1 in San Mateo County, from FY 1997-98 to FY 2000-01 and reprograms the right of way from FY 1997-98 to FY 1999-2000. No change in funding amount. Requested by Department of Transportation.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.1.a(2)** STIP Amendment 96S-58 - Action
Reprograms \$21,100,000, in the Urban Rail Program for Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (LACMTA) Metro Green Line/Blue Line Light Rail Vehicle Acquisition Project and reprograms \$4,900,000, in the Urban Rail Program for LACMTA's Norwalk/EI Segundo Green Line Light Rail Station Project to a North Hollywood Extension Project for \$26,000,000. This amendment also reprograms these funds from the Urban Rail Program to the Flexible Congestion Relief Program, thereby eliminating the local match requirement. Requested by LACMTA. (Consistent with concurrent allocation under Item 2.6c.) **The proposed Amendment is for Action on an emergency basis and waives the 30-day Notice period.**

Refer to Item 4.2e for proceedings related to this item.

2.1b. STIP Amendment for Notice

- STIP Amendment 96S-60 - Notice
Deletes the San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project programmed for \$1,895,000 in FY 1992-93 and transfers \$1,095,000 to the Lincoln Avenue Double Track Project and \$800,000 to the Santa Ana Transit Center Parking Structure Project. Requested by Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA).

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, reviewed the STIP Amendment and reported that it would be presented next month for action. Commissioner Reed requested that the item be placed on the Consent Calendar.

2.1c. TCI Amendments for Notice and Action

- 2.1c.(1)** TCI Amendment 96S-56 - Action
Revises the scope of a Denair Station Intercity Rail Improvement Project programmed in the FY 1995-96 Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) Program for \$105,000 to provide rail platform extension and related station improvements. Requested by the Department of Transportation (Caltrans). (Consistent with concurrent allocation under Item 2.6a.)

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.1c.(2)** TCI Amendment 96S-59 - Action
Transfers the applicant status on four portions of the Laguna Niguel/Mission Viejo Rail Station Project, programmed for a total of \$2,981,679 in the FY's 1993-94, 1994-95, and 1995-96 Transit Capital Improvement Programs, from the City of Mission Viejo to the City of Laguna Niguel. Requested by the City of Mission Viejo and City of Laguna Niguel. (Consistent with concurrent allocation amendment under Item 2.6e(1).)

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.1c.(3)** TCI Amendment 96S-61 - Notice

Deletes four North Coast Rail Authority's (NCRA) Shortline Railroad Rehabilitation projects, programmed for a total of \$463,550 in FY's 1995-96 and 1996-97 Transit Capital Improvement Programs for replacement of ties, rails and trestles; tunnel and bridge rehabilitation, resurfacing and drainage improvements between Willits and Arcata. These funds will go towards partial repayment of NCRA's commitment to the Q Fund Trust Fund. Requested by NCRA with concurrence of Department of Transportation.

Deputy Director Robert Chung described the proposed TCI Amendment. Chairman Wolf questioned Caltrans' actions in light of recent Grand Jury involvement with NCRA. Craig House, Caltrans, provided additional information on the Grand Jury subpoenas and reported that no additional funds had been released to NCRA.

2.1d. Proposition 116 - Non Urban County Project Approvals/Amendments

No Items This Month

2.1e. Proposition 116 - Rail Project Approvals/Amendments

No Items This Month

2.2 Environmental Matters

2.2a. Comments on Document in Circulation

- Review and Comment on Draft Environmental Impact Report - San Francisco MUNI Third Street Light Rail Extension (to Mission and Bayshore)

Deputy Director Chung described the project and discussed funding for the two phases. Gail Bloom, SF Muni, also discussed funding for the project. The Commission requested that she clarify the source of savings being relied upon in the funding plan and whether those projects included in the State funding participation would justify sharing the savings with the state.

ACTION: G. Bloom/R. Chung

2.2b. Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding

- 2.2b.(1)** Route 111 in Imperial County - Construct expressway near the Cities of El Centro and Brawley. (Negative Declaration)
Resolution E-98-10

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.2b.(2)** Route 120 in San Joaquin County - Highway widening and realignment in the City of Escalon. (Negative Declaration) (Consistent with concurrent Route Adoption under Item 2.3a.)
Resolution E-98-11

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.3 Highway Route Matters

2.3a. Two Route Adoptions

- 2.3a.(1)** Adoption of a Transfer of State Highway Location for Route 202 in the City of Tehachapi and Kern County, from Cummings Valley Boulevard, Kilometer Post 14.3 (Post Mile 8.9), to West Tehachapi Boulevard, Kilometer Post R15.4 (Post Mile R9.6), along Tucker Road. (Consistent with Relinquishments under Item 2.3c.)
Resolution HRA 98-2

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.3a.(2)** Adoption of a State Highway Location for Route 120 in the City of Escalon and San Joaquin County, from the Santa Fe Railroad crossing, Kilometer Post 26.9 (Post Mile 16.7), to the intersection of McHenry Avenue and Escalon-Bellota Road, Kilometer Post 27.6 (Post Mile 17.2).
Resolution HRA 98-3

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.3b. New Public Road Connections

No Items This Month

2.3c. Six Relinquishment Resolutions

- 04-SCI-237-2.5/2.9, Route 237 in the City of Sunnyvale.
Resolution R-3356
- 6-Ker-202-KP14.27/18.17 Route 202 in the City of Tehachapi.
(Consistent with Route Adoption under Item 2.3a.)
Resolution R-3357
- 6-Ker-202- KP14.45/18.39 Route 202 in Kern County.
(Consistent with Route Adoption under Item 2.3a.)
Resolution R-3358
- 7-Ven-101-12.7/13.8 Route 101 in the City of Camarillo.
Resolution R-3359
- 7-LA-1051.6/1.9 Route 105 in the City of Los Angeles.
Resolution R-3360

- 11-Imp-7-0.0/1.2 Route 7 in Imperial County.
Resolution R-3361

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.3d. One Vacation Resolution

- 8-SBd-62-9.9. Route 62 in the Town of Yucca Valley.
Resolution A-839

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.4 Highway Right of Way Matters

2.4a. Resolutions of Necessity - Appearances

No Items This Month

2.4b. 47 Resolutions of Necessity
C-17400 Through C-17402
C-17404 Through C-17430
C-17432 Through C-17439
C-17441 Through C-17449

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.4c. Airspace Leases Direct Negotiations (Sole Sources Leases)

- 11-SD-5-1
Park and Ride, Incorporated

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.4d. Director's Deeds

- Items # 1 Through # 16
Excess Lands - Return to State: \$1,384,801
Return to Others: \$0

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5 Highway Financial Matters**2.5a. Financial Vote for Minor Projects.**

- Five Minor Projects totaling \$1,448,000 plus \$1,164,000 in Local Contributions.
Resolution FP-97-80

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5b. Financial Vote for State STIP/SHOPP/Toll Bridge/TSM/TEA Projects.

- 2.5b.(1)** Five STIP Projects totaling \$13,747,000 plus \$11,321,000 in Local Contributions.
Resolution FP-97-81

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(2)** Twenty-two SHOPP Projects totaling \$51,075,000 plus \$5,504,000 in Local Contributions.
Resolution FP-97-82

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(3)** Five SHOPP Amended Projects totaling \$28,366,000
Resolution FP-97-83

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(4)** One Toll Bridge Project in San Francisco at the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge for \$204,000.
Resolution FP-97-84

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(5)** Four TSM Projects totaling \$10,228,000.
Resolution FP-97-85

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(6)** One STIP Project from Route 5 Corridor Project in Orange County for \$13,482,000.
Resolution FP-97-90

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5c. Financial Vote for Local Assistance STIP/TSM/TEA/EEM Projects

- 2.5c.(1)** One Local TSM Project in Concord for \$455,000.
Resolution FP-97-86

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(2)** Five Local EEM Projects totaling \$897,500 plus
\$6,815,924 in Contributions from Others.
Resolution FP-97-87

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(3)** One Local TEA Project in Tahoe City for \$1,400,000 plus
\$600,000 in Contributions from Others.
Resolution FP-97-91

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5d.** Financial Vote for Projects with Cost Increases Greater than 120 Percent
of Program Amount. Two Projects totaling \$4,378,000.
Resolution FP-97-88

- 01-Men-1 - SHOPP Project in Mendocino County on Route 1. Storm damage repair. Current program value \$2,862,000 and current estimate \$3,800,000 for a 33 percent increase over programmed amount.
- 11-SD-78 - SHOPP Project in San Diego County on Route 78. Rehabilitate roadway. Current program value \$437,000 and current estimate \$578,000 for a 32 percent increase over programmed amount.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, described the projects and explained the cost increases. Chairman Wolf requested that he report back on the aggregated SHOPP Savings. Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the funds. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Conlon was absent).

2.5e. Financial Vote for Supplemental Funds for Previously Approved Projects.
Four Projects totaling \$5,126,000.
Resolution FA-97-10

- 04-SM-280 - Minor Project in San Mateo County on Route 280.
\$71,600 to Allow Award. Original vote \$265,000 for a grand total of \$336,600. 27 Percent increase over Vote.
- 04-Son-12 - STIP Project in Sonoma County on Route 12. \$550,000 for On-Going Contract. Original vote \$2,664,000 plus \$291,500 for grand total of \$3,505,500. 32 Percent increase over Vote.
- 04-Son-101 - SHOPP Project in Sonoma County on Route 101.
\$2,755,000 for On-Going Contract. Original vote \$13,033,000 minus \$1,833,000 plus \$2,650,000 for a grand total of \$16,605,000. 48 Percent increase over Award.
- 06-Fre, Mad-41 - STIP Project in Fresno and Madera Counties on Route 41. \$1,750,000 for On-Going Contract. Original vote \$26,800,000 plus \$2,870,000 for grand total of \$31,420,000. 17 Percent increase over Vote.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reviewed the projects and explained why supplemental funds were needed. After the Commissioners discussed the projects' increases, Vice Chairman Sylvester moved to approve the supplemental funds. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Commissioners Conlon and Kozberg were absent).

2.5f. Emergency Allocations

2.5f.(1) Informational Report - Emergency G-11 Allocations
Twenty-nine Projects totaling \$17,235,000 plus twenty additional emergency projects totaling \$16,259,000 approved by the Department after preparation of the May 1998 Meeting material, for a total of forty-nine emergency projects totaling \$33,494,000

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, summarized the emergency G-11 allocations and noted that the statewide EI Nino repair costs were up to \$225 million.

2.5f.(2) Informational Report - Seismic Retrofit G-11 Allocations from Proposition 192 Revenues.
One Project at \$891,000.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, presented information on the supplemental \$891,000 allocation for the Salinas River Bridge project noting that one factor was design change and the other major factor was difficult access. Commission staff was directed to prepare the monthly report to the Legislature on Proposition 192 allocation.

ACTION: R. Gumz

- 2.5g.** Financial Vote for Toll Seismic Retrofit Project Funded with Proposition 192 Revenues. One Project at \$4,259,000.
Resolution FP-97-89

- 11-SD-75 - In San Diego County on Route 78 at the San Diego - Coronado Bridge for a cost of \$4,259,000.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6 Mass Transportation Financial Matters

- 2.6a.** Financial Vote for Local TCI Program Projects

- Two Local TCI Program Projects totaling \$6,255,000
Resolution MFP-97-53

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.6b.** Financial Vote for Proposition 116/108 Bond Program Projects

- 2.6b.(1)** One Local Proposition 116 Rail Project for \$1,121,245

- \$1,121,245 to Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board for station improvements in San Mateo County.
Resolution BFP-97-28

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.6b.(2)** One State Proposition 108 Rail Project for \$206,000

- \$206,000 to California Department of Transportation for Van Nuys Platform Extension. (Consistent with concurrent Allocation Amendment under Item 2.6e(2).)
Resolution BFP-97-29

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.6b.(3)** One Local Proposition 116 Non-Urban Project for \$403,378

- \$403,378 to Amador Rapid Transit System for transit vehicle acquisition. (Consistent with concurrent Allocation Amendment under Item 2.6e(2).)
Resolution BFP-97-30

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6c. Financial Vote for Two Flexible Congestion Relief Projects
Resolution MFP-97-54

- \$700,000 to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) for Northridge Metrolink Station.
- \$26,000,000 to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) for Metro Red Line North Hollywood Extension Project. (Consistent with concurrent STIP Amendment under Item 2.1a(2).)

Refer to Item 4.2e for proceedings related to this item.

2.6d. Financial Vote for Multiple Program Funded Project

- \$1,491,000 to City of San Luis Obispo for San Luis Obispo Multimodal Center. (\$967,000 in Proposition 116 funds, and \$524,000 in TCI Funds).
Resolution MBFP-97-03

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6e. Allocation Amendments for Rail/Transit Projects

2.6e.(1) Local Transit Capital Improvement Program Allocation Amendments

- Transfers applicant status for the Laguna Niguel/Mission Viejo Rail Station Project from the City of Mission Viejo to the City of Laguna Niguel. No change in allocation amount. (Consistent with concurrent TCI Amendment under Item 2.1c.)
Resolution MFA-97-02, Amending Resolutions MFP-95-45 and MFP-96-40

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6e.(2) Proposition 108/116 Bond Program Allocation Amendments

- San Francisco Public Transportation Commission - Rescind the entire \$3,182,282 allocated for the MUNI Metro Turnback Project. These funds were previously reprogrammed to the MUNI Advanced Train Control System Project.
Resolution BFA-97-11, Amending Resolution MBFP-92-04 and MBFP-96-02
- California Department of Transportation - Reduces project allocation for the Burbank Airport Station from \$800,000 to \$594,000 in Proposition 108 Bond funds. Balance of \$206,000 to be allocated to the Van Nuys Platform Extension Project. (Consistent with concurrent Allocation under Item 2.6b(2).)
Resolution BFA-97-12, Amending Resolution BFP-93-73
- Amador Rapid Transit System - Reduce project allocation for a transit vehicle acquisition project from \$187,529 to \$185,063 in Proposition 116 Non Urban County Program Bond funds. Balance of \$2,466 will be allocated to another transit vehicles acquisition project. (Consistent with concurrent Allocation under Item 2.6b(3).)
Resolution BFA-97-13, Amending Resolution BFP-93-1

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.7 Aeronautics Financial Matters**2.7a.** Allocation of \$538,000 for FY 1997-98 California Aid to Airports Program (CAAP) funds for two projects from the 1996 Aeronautics Program.
Resolution FDOA-98-1

- County of San Bernardino - Chino Airport
\$500,000 - Slurry Seal Runways
- City of Susanville - Susanville Municipal Airport in Lassen County
\$38,000 - Seal Joints Runway and Apron

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.7b. Allocation of Supplemental Funds for Previously Approved Projects.
One Project for \$40,000.
Resolution FDOA-98-2

- But-Var-96-1 - CAAP project in Butte County, at the Chico Municipal Airport and the Ranchoero Airport in Chico, at the Oroville Municipal Airport, and the Paradise Airport. \$40,000 plus original vote of \$41,000, for a grand total of \$81,000.

Marlin Beckwith, Caltrans, reviewed the project and explained why the supplemental funds were needed. Commissioner Diener moved to approve the allocation. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Conlon was absent).

2.8 Waiver of Commission Policy

- 2.8(1)** Request for Waiver of Financial Guidelines for Local Agency Reimbursement from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to extend the period of project reimbursement for the Northridge Metrolink Station Project from June 30, 1998 to June 30, 1999. The Commission allocated \$1,300,000 of Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) funds to MTA on September 19, 1995. Through April 8, 1998, the Department has made no reimbursements under this allocation.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.8(2)** Request for Waiver of Financial Guidelines for Local Agency Reimbursement from the City of Fresno to extend the period of project reimbursement for the Fresno Amtrak Station Project from June 30, 1998 to June 30, 1999. The Commission allocated \$1,443,960 Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) funds to the City on June 5, 1996. Through April 8, 1998, the Department has made no reimbursements under this allocation.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.8(3)** Request for waiver of Financial Guidelines for Local Agency Reimbursement from the City of Santa Ana to extend the period of project reimbursement for the Santa Ana Transportation Center Parking Structure from June 30, 1998 to June 30, 1999. The Commission allocated \$4,500,000 Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) funds to the City on October 18, 1991. Through April 8, 1998, the Department has authorized \$222,654 in reimbursements against this allocation.

Stephen Maller, Caltrans presented the request for waiver. Commissioner Reed moved to approve the waiver. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Conlon was absent).

2.9 Technical Changes to Previously Approved Resolutions

No Items This Month

3. PROGRAM STATUS**3.1** Caltrans Monthly FY 1997-98 Program Finance Report

Joan Borucki, Caltrans, presented the monthly Program Finance Report, noting that some revenues are higher and some expenditures lower than forecast. Commissioners discussed the situation with Ms. Borucki and Del Pierce of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.

3.2 Monthly Report on Status of Projects Previously Voted but not Awarded

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reviewed the status of six projects that have been previously voted but not awarded.

4. POLICY MATTERS

4.1 State Legislative Matters

- AB 2434 (Scott) - STIP Interregional Improvement Program
- AB 2562 (Miller) - Alameda Corridor
- SB 1962 (Kelley) - California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank

Deputy Director Oldham reviewed AB 2434 (Scott). Commissioner Fleming moved to oppose AB 2434. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 5-0 (Commissioners Conlon, Kozberg, and Reed were absent).

Deputy Director Oldham reviewed AB 2562 (Miller). Vice Chairman Sylvester moved to support AB 2562 as amended April 30, 1998. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 5-0 (Commissioners Conlon, Kozberg, and Reed were absent).

Deputy Director Oldham reviewed SB 1962 (Kelley). The Commission directed staff to schedule for the June Commission meeting a presentation on the status of the implementation of the State Infrastructure Bank and further review of SB 1962.

ACTION: C. Oldham

The Commissioners discussed Proposition 224. Vice Chairman Sylvester abstained from discussions and voting on Proposition 224. Commissioner Fleming moved to communicate the Commission's opposition to Proposition 224 to the Chair of the Senate and Assembly Transportation Committees and the Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 5-0-1 (Commissioner Sylvester abstained; Commissioners Conlon and Reed were absent).

ACTION: C. Oldham

4.2 1998 STIP Matters

4.2a. Presentation of Proposed Intercity Rail Program

This item was reviewed by the Public Transit Committee which was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on May 6, 1998 at the Department of Health services Auditorium, 714 P street, Sacramento, California. Members of the Public Transit Committee present were Commissioners David Fleming, Chair, Robert Kozberg, and Dana Reed.

The following people provided testimony to the Committee:

- Warren Weber, Caltrans,
- John Barna, Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency
- Dorothy Dugger, BART
- Therese McMillan, MTC
- Gil Mallery, Amtrak

- Assemblyman Kevin Murray
- Assemblyman Tony Cardenas
- Alex Clifford, SCRRA
- Jim Spering, Capital Corridor Joint Powers Board
- Assemblywoman Helen Thomson
- Susie Boyd, Davis City Council
- Bill Edgar, Sacramento City Council
- Jacques LaRochelle, City of Bakersfield Public Works
- Julie Nygaard, LOSSAN Corridor
- Dan Herron, San Luis Obispo COG
- Craig Scott, Regional Agencies Moderator

During the workshop, the Commission directed staff to:

- Following upon the 1998 STIP adoption, work with Regional Agencies to clarify the decision-making associated with the Interregional Program in general and the Intercity Rail Program in particular, with continuing emphasis on the development of a strategic planning framework to guide these decisions in the 2000 STIP cycle.

ACTION: J. Nicholas/R. Remen

- Address the definition of Intercity Rail in the permanent STIP Guidelines.

ACTION: J. Nicholas/R. Remen

Commissioner Fleming discussed increasing the intercity rail funding target from \$184 million to \$200.5 million to accommodate an additional \$10 million for Metrolink Rolling Stock, \$6 million to BART to SFO (for a total of \$11.0 million), and \$500,000 for the Davis Amtrak Station parking. Commissioner Reed moved to recommend the augmentation to the Commission. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 3-0. (See Item 4.2c for Commission action on this recommendation.)

Following the vote, the Public Transit Committee adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

4.2b. Report on 60-Day RTIP Notice Letters

Executive Director Remen discussed the 60-day Notice Letters sent to LACMTA, SANDAG, and the local transportation commissions for Glenn, Mono, and Inyo counties. He summarized the issues requiring resolution for each county.

The following people appeared and discussed the RTIP projects:

Cathy Cage, Mayor of Mammoth Lakes
Tom Hallenbeck, Caltrans District 9
Tom Tinsley, Glenn County Transportation Commission
Jim Petropulos, Inyo County transportation Commission
Craig Scott, SANDAG

After discussing the issues for each county, the Commission directed staff to secure written compliance, reflecting action by their Boards, from all five counties having received the 60-day letters.

ACTION: D. Brewer

4.2c. Potential for Expanded Interregional Program

Chairman Wolf reported that he had been encouraged by BT&H Secretary Dean Dunphy to not leave any programming capacity unused. Vice Chairman Sylvester said he had been working with the affected agencies to develop a list of potential projects and their costs. Chief Deputy Director Hathaway explained the amount of funding that could be available for added programming. Executive Director Remen laid out a group of highway projects that could be funded using specified criteria. Commissioner Fleming added three rail projects that could also be funded. The Commissioners discussed several programming options and funding levels for expanding the Interregional Program.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, discussed concerns about budgetary and staffing limitations. Craig House, Caltrans, also discussed programming and budgetary concerns noting that Caltrans was now being held accountable for budget items on a project by project basis.

After much discussion, Vice Chairman Sylvester moved to direct staff to include in the final STIP recommendations the \$100 million in state highway projects and \$16 million in rail projects as developed on the list of potential projects. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

**4.2d. Comparison of Year-by-Year Total RTIP and ITIP Proposals
Versus Fund Estimate**

Chairman Wolf reviewed the year-by-year comparisons of the RTIP proposals and fund estimate and recommended accepting the staff recommendation that projects not be re-spread by fiscal year. Commissioner Reed moved to accept the staff recommendation. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

**4.2e. Status Report on Memorandum of Understanding Between
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and
California Transportation Commission**

The following proceedings are for Items 4.2e, 2.1a(2), and 2.6c.

Chairman Wolf reported that Commissioner Reed was abstaining from any participation in Item 4.2e, 2.1a(2), and 2.6c.

Deputy Director Chung summarized the MOU and discussed three items to add to the MOU. He also reviewed a letter from Assemblyman Villaraigosa.

Allen Lipsky, LACMTA, reviewed the proposed language changes and noted that Julian Burke was prepared to submit the MOU to the LACMTA Board on May 13, 1998.

After discussing the MOU, Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the MOU as originally drafted by the Commission. Commissioner Berglund seconded the motion which carried 5-0-1 (Commissioner Reed abstained from voting and Commissioner Conlon and Kozberg were absent). The Commission directed staff to advise LACMTA staff of the Commission's directive regarding the execution of the MOU as drafted, limiting any changes to the incorporation of the need for attention to transit service in those areas no longer expected to benefit from rail service in the near term, per the letter from Assemblyman Villaraigosa; also to advise LACMTA staff of the need for federal approval for any recovery plan prior to Commission action.

ACTION: R. Chung

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve Item 2.1a(2). Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 7-0-1 (Commissioner Reed abstained and Commissioner Conlon was absent).

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve Item 2.6c. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 7-0-1 (Commissioner Reed abstained and Commissioner Conlon was absent).

4.3 Presentation of Draft California Transportation Plan Update

John Barna, Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency, presented the draft California Transportation Plan. He summarized the project goals, system performance measures, policies and recommendations, development process and desired outcome.

Allan Hendrix, Caltrans, reviewed the Statewide Goods Movement Strategy. He discussed the purpose, goals, strategic policies, and recommendations.

During the presentation the Commission asked the presenters to:

- Consider the incorporation of financial incentives to influence time-of-day deliveries as a congestion reliever for goods movement; and
- Consider the basis for evaluating tradeoffs between investments in high volume routes versus investments in new arterials.

ACTION: J. Barna/A. Hendrix**4.4 Status Reports on Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program**

Denis Mulligan, Caltrans, discussed Caltrans web site and reviewed the material available on a continuous basis. He then briefed the Commission on the Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program and presented a series of slides of seismic retrofit projects, methodology, and costs.

The Commission asked him to develop and submit a comprehensive bridge-by-bridge timeline for prior, current, and any future changes in delivery schedules.

ACTION: D. Mulligan**4.5 Revision to Resolution G-12 Providing Delegation of Authority to the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Regarding Definition of Minor Project Limits and Deletes Constraints to Delegation Resolution G-98-12 Amending Resolution G-12 and Replacing G-95-08**

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 4.6** Amendment to Procedures for Leasing Airspace to Private Entities
Resolution G-98-07 Amending Resolution G-97-06

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 4.7** Presentation by Resources Agency of Project Evaluation for FY 1998-99
Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program

EEM Program Manager Rick Gumz explained to the Commission that the Resources Agency was unable to send a representative to the meeting due to other staff commitments and a last minute illness. Chairman Wolf raised several issues that he wanted clarified by the Agency. Chairman Wolf directed staff to:

- Prepare a letter to Resources Agency identifying those issues for clarification and response by the Resources Agency prior to the June Commission meeting; and
- Schedule for the June Commission meeting a presentation by the Resources Agency of its responses to the above-referenced letter and its proposals for the 1998-99 EEM Program.

ACTION: R. Gumz

5. MODAL ISSUES

- 5.1** Rail

No Items This Month

6. OTHER MATTERS

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Robert I. Remen, Executive Director